

Olsburg Community PRIDE

OCTOBER 2024

We need to brag for just a minute on the AMAZING day we had for the Olsburg Festival. It is definitely not something that is just thrown together at the last minute, and the "People in the Pink Shirts" who work behind the scenes to make sure the day runs smoothly need to be commended! The weather was beautiful, the food and vendors were great, and the sense of community was truly overwhelming! Thanks so much to each of you who attended and a huge shout out to those behind the scenes. It was a great day!

You are so appreciated!



Trick or Treating will be Saturday, October 26th. Please watch out for all the little ghosts and goblins who will be out in search of candy!



Citizens for Courthouse
Conservation
Annual Meeting
September 26, 2024 – 7pm
Community Building,
Westmoreland KS
Public is invited to attend.



TRUNK or TREAT

Saturday, October 26, 2024
300 Block of 2nd Street
Olsburg, Kansas

Beginning at 6:00 pm

Gather lots of treats for the kiddos at one stop!

Anyone wanting to hand treats out is welcome to join in the fun!

Feel free to decorate the trunk of your car or the bed of your pickup and wear a costume if you'd like!



Sponsored by Olsburg Education Club

Questions? Call Jeanne Dowell 785-293-2222 or
Jeannie Johnson 785-564-1450

Here's was this past month's community question: If you look up historical sites for Olsburg you can see something called the "Coffey Site". Does anyone know of more information or remember the archaeological digs that happened in the 70's?

Many thanks to Ivan Jones for starting me off in the right direction for research! The Coffey Site was initially begun in 1970 and follow-up digs were done in 2014. Please read the following page for more info and websites to check out some really cool pictures!

Here's a question for this month... What was the largest graduating class from Blue Valley High? Send me your graduation years and number of grads and I will get a list compiled!

THE COFFEY SITE – Olsburg KS

***** WOW*** Archaeologists call the earliest period when people occupied North America the Paleoindian period. Archaeological evidence shows that these people arrived on the North American continent between 12,000 and 25,000 years ago.**

Coffey Site 1970-1975

Summary

The Coffey Site 1970-1975 project's records include information gleaned from archaeological work performed by the University of Kansas in the Tuttle Creek Reservoir, Kansas from 1970 to 1975. Specifically, the project includes artifact catalogs associated primarily with the Coffey Site (14PO1), but also contains other artifact analysis data from sites in Pottawatomie and Riley Counties, Kansas.

The digital materials in this collection were processed by the Veterans Curation Program (VCP), and include artifact catalogs, finding aid, and original investigation report. Additional digital materials held by the VCP include additional artifact catalogs, notes, preliminary report, project reports, project table, and a proposal. For additional information on these materials, refer to the finding aid.

(copied from <https://core.tdar.org/project/437529/coffey-site-1970-1975>)

Field Update 4, The Coffey Site; July 7, 2014

The Odyssey crew resumed excavations at the Coffey Site in Pottawatomie County, Kansas, on June 30, 2014. This is the 4th consecutive year Odyssey has worked at this important multi-component archaeological site along the east bank of the Big Blue River. Despite significant erosion from lateral migration of the river, a small remnant of the site still holds a rich, stratified Middle and Late Archaic record as well as some evidence of Early Paleoindian occupation. A concentration of buried artifacts may pre-date the Paleoindian or "pre-Clovis" period. In keeping with the goals of Odyssey, recent efforts have focused on the Severance Formation, a late Pleistocene-age sediment assemblage, and the stratified archaeological deposits within it. To date, the presence of a pre-Clovis-age component ~70-80 cm below the top of the Severance has not been ruled out. Thus, Odyssey will continue excavations into the Severance Formation with the hopes of shedding new light on the earliest peoples to inhabit northeast Kansas. (copied from <https://www.kgs.ku.edu/Odyssey/Sites/Coffey/index.html>)



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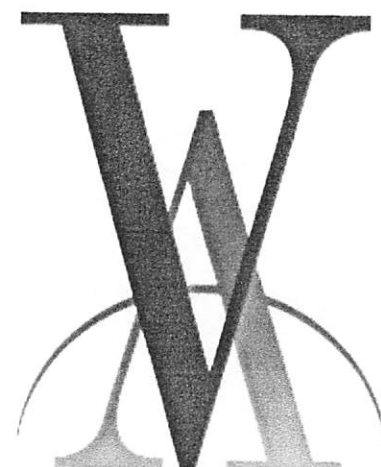
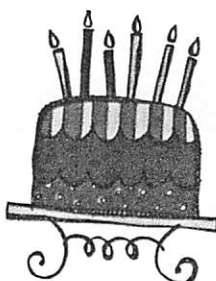
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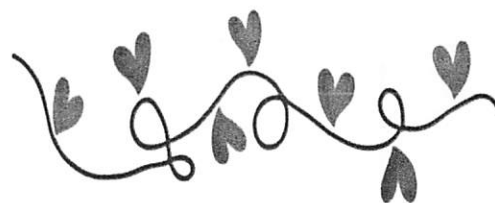
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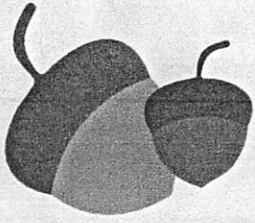
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- 1 – Jeff & Tami Howland
- 4 – Mark & Kristi Fronce
- 7 – Josh & Misty Williams
- 7 – Harlan & Bev Sump
- 9 – Justin & Jenny Sump
- 13 – Robert & Valerie Elwell
- 15 – Daniel & Tina Williams
- 19 – Lee & Joyce Cantrell
- 19 – RD & Shelie Laflin
- 19 – Allen & Maribeth Shafer
- 20 – Curtis & Michelene Poppe
- 22 – Lyle & Nancy Blockcolsky
- 25 – Cody & Becca Simon
- 26 – William & Tammi Budenbender



Want to be added to the birthday
or anniversary list? Please email
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or call Tami @ 785-556-3557

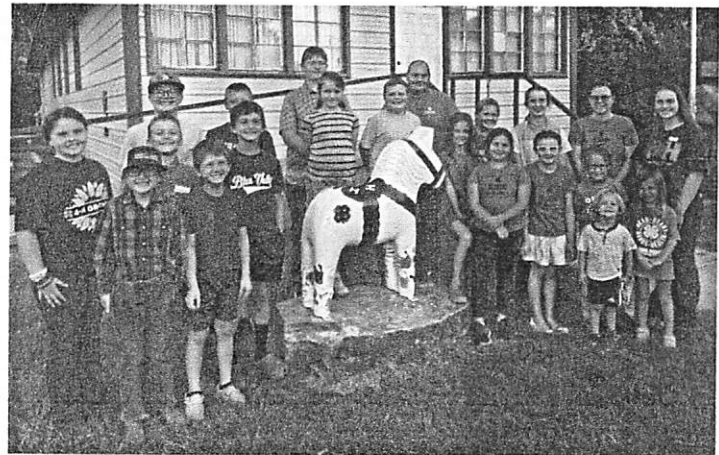


Olsburg Boosters 4-H Club

2024-2025 OFFICERS

- President - Brody Buchanan
- Vice President - Taylor Bryant
- Secretary - open
- Treasurer - open
- Reporter - Maggie Bryant
- Historian - Taylor Bryant
- Parliamentarian - Wayne Lundberg
- County Council - Vanessa Jones, Brody Buchanan
- County Council Alternates- Taylor Bryant, Ella Hoeltzel
- Song / Recreation - Maisie Bryant, Chase Klenda, Lyle Lundberg, Alexis Hummel
- Jr. President - Wayne Lundberg
- Jr. Vice President - Dalton Klenda
- Jr. Secretary - Emma Jean Avery-Milsap
- Leaders - Marcus Bryant, Maggie Lundberg

CLUB PICTURE



Our last meeting was on September 8, 2024 at the Olsburg American Legion. We elected officers for the upcoming year. Pictured above is the club with "Clover" the newest Dala horse in Olsburg.

ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT



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785-477-8259

Maggie Lundberg
lundbergfamily2011@gmail.com
785-844-0475

- Record books are due 9/27/2024
- 48 hours of 4-H on 10/06/2024 our club is raking leaves around the community
- National 4-H Week is October 7-12
- Next meeting will be held on 10/19/2024 this will be 4-H Sunday at St. Columbkille Catholic Church in Blaine - setup at 4pm, 4:30pm - 5:30pm is the meeting, 6:00 is church with meal afterwards
- County Achievement Banquet will be on 10/20/2024 at 1pm at St. Bernard Catholic Church in Wamego

Our final JUST WOW Winner for September is...

KAREN CASSEL

THIS SEASON WE DECIDED TO CHANGE THINGS UP JUST A BIT...

The Yard of the Month award has been a successful way to highlight members of our community who go the extra mile to make our town look great, but there are so many moments driving through town that make you stop and say,

JUST WOW

Our new award will be for any type of planter, tree, yard art, or a just mowed yard - the possibilities are endless.

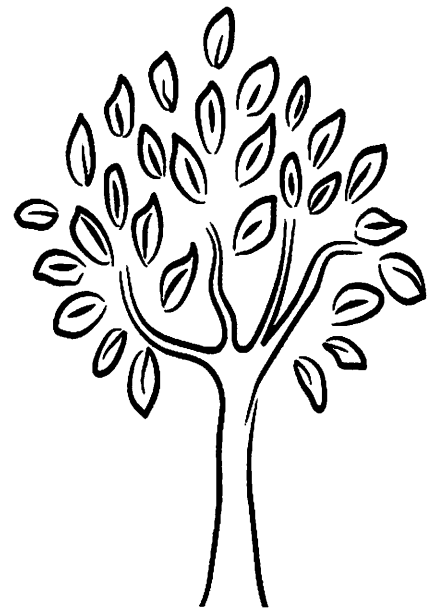
It's all about catching the eye of someone driving by – and...

Making our town a more beautiful place.

As always, this is judged by folks from outside our community, and what a great way to reward someone for all their hard work!

We hope you will join us as we move forward with something new. Let's all do our best to encourage someone stop, look, and say...

WINNERS AWARDED MAY-SEPTEMBER



JUST WOW

Welcome!

Please welcome Debbie and Don Jensen to the community!

The Jensen's are retired and recently moved to Olsburg from Manhattan.

When you see Debbie and Don out and about, be sure to welcome them!

A Reminder About Tree Debris and the City Brush Dump -

The City will pick up tree debris following a storm **only**, usually within a week of the storm. If that time period is extended, a text will be sent via the city texting service. (To subscribe to the city text messaging service, please email your name, address and phone number to olsburgcity@twinvalley.net. This service is for residents living within the city limits.)

Any trimming of trees, bushes, etc. that create debris, **WILL NOT** be picked up on a regular basis. Residents are responsible for removal of debris created during regular property maintenance.

Tree debris should be taken to the city brush dump. Stop by City Hall for a key to the dump.

Only tree debris is permitted. There has been wrought iron fencing, and other metal objects discovered in the dump recently. No treated lumber or boards with nails, no metal of any kind, or appliances are allowed. Those items should be taken to the Pottawatomie Transfer Station.

The Olsburg city brush dump is for *residents* of the City of Olsburg only. *If you live outside the city limits, the city dump is not for your use.* Your debris should be taken to the Pottawatomie Transfer Station.

The city dump is inspected and regulated under Kansas Department of Health and Environment. Spot checks are conducted on a regular basis and violations could result in a fine for the City.

If you are at the dump and see items that do not belong there, please notify City Hall.

Building and Fence Permits –

When planning an improvement to the exterior of a building, such as a deck, patio, utility shed, etc., please make getting a building permit at the top of your list. Building permits for construction are required within the city limits for any structure over 50 square feet. Cost of a permit is \$0.05 per square foot, \$20.00 minimum. All permits must be approved prior to construction starting. Please allow at least 2-3 weeks for permits to be approved.

Fence construction also requires a fence permit which is a flat \$5.00. As with building permits, please allow 2-3 weeks for a permit to be approved before beginning construction.

Both building and fence permits can be downloaded and printed from the cityofolsburg.com website. Look for the News & Information tab then click on Documents and Forms.

City of Olsburg
Regular Meeting Minutes
September 4, 2024, 7:00 PM

Call to Order

Seeing there was a quorum present to conduct business, the regular meeting of the Olsburg City Council was called to order by Mayor Aric Cassel at 7:05 pm.

Present were Mayor Aric Cassel, Council Members Cindy Pfaff, Mike Mayer, and Kyle Rootring. Also, present were City Treasurer Gregg Gibson and City Clerk Jeannie Johnson. Absent were Council Members Karl Kasselmann and David Gibson.

No guests were present.

Minutes from the August 7, 2024, Budget Hearing and August 7, 2024 regular meeting were approved

There were no public comments.

City Treasurer Gibson gave the August 2024 Treasurer's Report and presented bills to be paid.

There was one item under Old Business: Bid opening for the Wastewater Treatment Improvements will be Tuesday, September 10, 2024, 2:00 pm at City Hall. Contract approval will be held on Thursday, September 12, 2024, 7:00 pm at City Hall.

Under New Business:

- a. Cereal Malt Beverage License Renewal for Simon Meat Locker was approved.
- b. Special Event Cereal Malt Beverage License – The Brick's is requested a Special Event CMB for the Olsburg Fall Festival. The license was approved.
- c. Utility Billing Software – The City's current utility billing software will be discontinued in 2025. No definite date has been released. The Clerk and Treasurer have been researching utility billing software companies over the past several months in anticipation of gWorks discontinuing the current program. They have demonstrations scheduled with the companies they believe will serve the City's needs and will give updates at future meetings.

Bills were approved to be paid.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:06 pm.

Text Message Alerts

We are making it easier for *residents* living within the city limits of Olsburg to opt in to receive text messages from the City of Olsburg.

All you need to do is send the following information via email to olsburgcity@twinvalley.net:

- 1) The phone number to be added
- 2) The name of the person whose phone is to be added
- 3) The address of the person who owns the phone

Your email will serve as your authorization to be added to the text message service.

If you would like to receive local (Pottawatomie County) alerts, please go to <https://www.pottcountyy.org/431/Emergency-Alerts> or <https://member.everbridge.net/453003085612434/login> to sign up.





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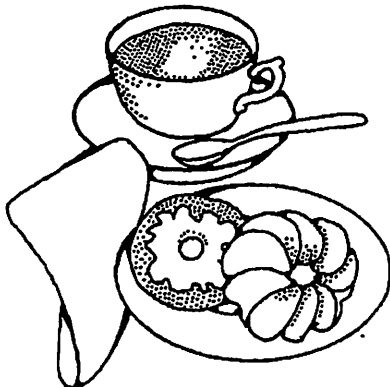


When Jesus says, "Take up your cross," he is not asking us to suffer in silence but to engage in the radical work of selflessness, justice, and love. Jesus did not want to die on the cross, but risked death for the sake of love and peace in this world. Jesus' death did not bring about peace. His taking up the cross was because he fiercely and boldly loved this world. This world was threatened by the power of God's love and tried to make a fool of it on the cross.

So, while the world extorted the cross to be a tool of abuse and terror. God reclaimed what happens on the cross, and in the end, hope was the aftermath of the cross. Because hope, God's love, Christ resurrected and made the tomb empty. As Christ speaks the words, take up your cross and deny yourself, God does not wish us to experience suffering and hopelessness.

God wants us to follow Jesus so closely that when our love threatens this world and tries to drag us down, that we turn to Christ. We take up the cross because when we take the cross, we are bearing Jesus in our hearts. For our God is a God who bears all. Bears flesh. Bears the cross. Bears sin. We take up the cross so that we may be in communion with Christ for as we are baptized into Christ, we also share in his death on the cross, AND we share in his resurrection. We share the hope God grants us. So pick up your cross, be in communion with Christ, and know God bears the burdens of your heart. *-Pastor Kaylie Ines*

JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST



You are invited to join Olsburg Lutheran Church for a fellowship breakfast, Sunday, September 29th, at 8:00 A.M.

Breakfast is served in the church basement. Enjoy breakfast, a cup of coffee, a glass of juice and visiting with friends. We invite you to join us for worship at 9:00 A.M. We look forward to seeing you!

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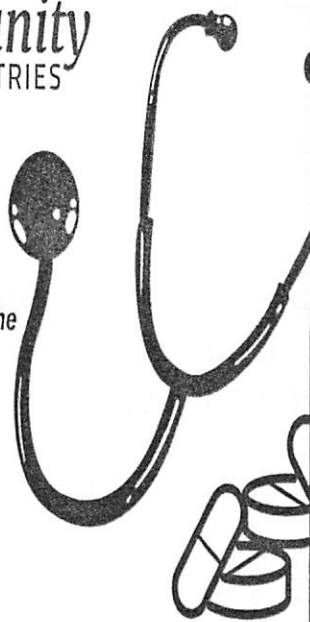


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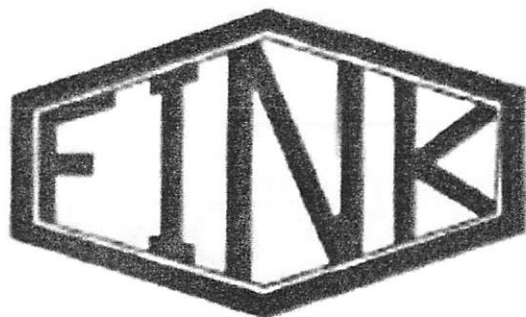


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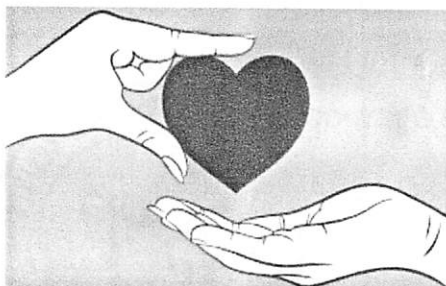
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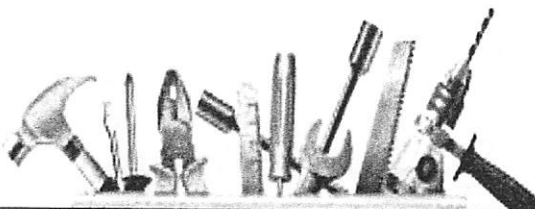


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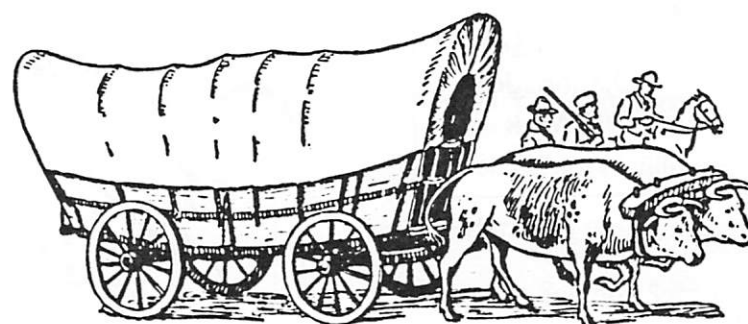
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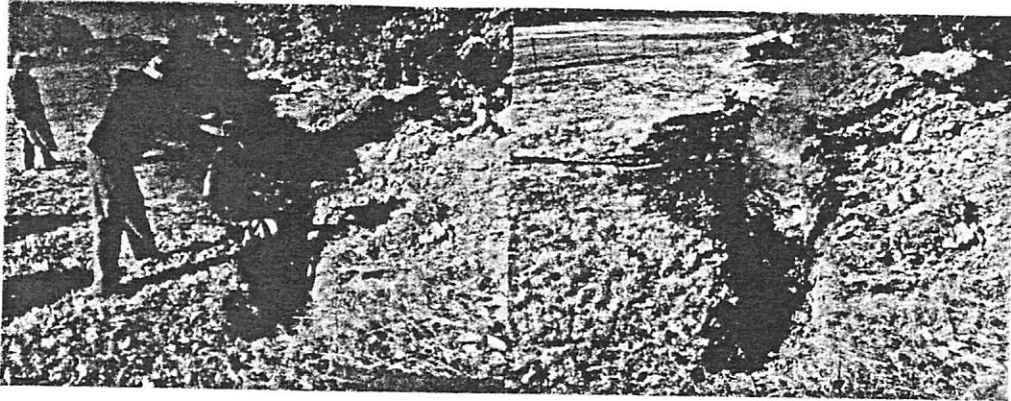
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Retiring Old Flags that no longer can be flown

Prayers by pastor Jim Price (US military Veteran) of the Mt
Calvary Lutheran Church in Wamego Kansas.

Speaker: Retired State Congressman Ron Highland (Us Military
Veteran)

After the Burning of the Flags American Legion Auxiliary Unit 186
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